

REMARKS

Claims 61 and 63 have been amended, claims 145 and 146 have been added and claims 42-60, 62, 85-104 and 119-144 have been cancelled herein. Claims 1-41 were canceled in a previous amendment, and claims 105-118 were previously withdrawn. Hence, claims 61, 63-84, 145 and 146 are currently pending. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the captioned application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Claim Rejections

Sections 2-7 of the office action rejected the claims under 35 USC §§102 and 103 based on various cited references. However, section 8 of the office action noted that claims 62-65, 67, 68 and 73-75 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claim 61 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 62. It is therefore intended to represent claim 62 in independent form. Claim 62 has been canceled and claim 63 has been amended to change its dependency to claim 61.

New claim 145 combines the subject matter of claims 61, 66 and 67 and is thus intended to represent claim 67 in independent form.

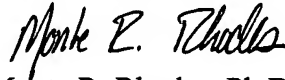
All of the remaining claims ultimately depend either from claim 61 or 145. All of the pending claims are therefore believed to be in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

As evidenced by the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants have made a genuine effort to address each concern raised in the office action. All of the pending claims

are believed to be in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney with any concerns or questions regarding the present application.

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